110TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. CON. RES. 209

Expressing the sense of Congress that the Museum of the American Quilter's Society, located in Paducah, Kentucky, should be designated as the "National Quilt Museum of the United States".

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 14, 2007

Mr. Whitfield submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of Congress that the Museum of the American Quilter's Society, located in Paducah, Kentucky, should be designated as the "National Quilt Museum of the United States".

Whereas the Museum of the American Quilter's Society is the largest quilt museum in the world, with a total of 13,400 square feet of exhibition space and more than 150 quilts exhibited year-round in its 3 galleries;

Whereas the mission of the Museum is to educate the local, national, and international public about the art, history, and heritage of quiltmaking;

Whereas quilts in the Museum's permanent collection are made by quilters from 44 of the 50 States and many foreign countries;

- Whereas the Museum, centrally located in Paducah, Kentucky, and open to the public year-round, averages 40,000 visitors per year;
- Whereas individuals from all 50 States and from more than 25 foreign countries have visited the Museum;
- Whereas the Museum's Friends, an organization dedicated to supporting and sustaining the Museum, also has members in all 50 States, with 84 percent of members living more than 60 miles from the Museum;
- Whereas many members of the Museum's Friends have supported the Museum annually since the Museum began in 1991;
- Whereas quilts exhibited in the Museum are representative of the Nation and its cultures thanks to the wide diversity of themes and topics, quilts, and quiltmakers; and
- Whereas the Museum of the American Quilter's Society has national significance and support: Now, therefore, be it
 - 1 Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate
 - 2 concurring), That it is the sense of Congress that the Mu-
 - 3 seum of the American Quilter's Society, located at 215
- 4 Jefferson Street, Paducah, Kentucky, should be des-
- 5 ignated as the "National Quilt Museum of the United
- 6 States".

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